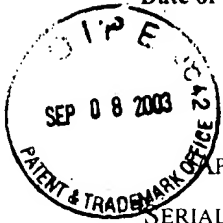


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This paper is in response to the August 6, 2003 Advisory Action and May 7, 2003 Final Office Action. Applicants enclose herewith a Petition for a one-month extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) and a \$55.00 check as required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1). With this extension of time, the present Amendment and Response is due on Monday, September 8, 2003 (September 7, 2003 being a Sunday).

Applicants believe that no additional fees are due with this filing. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 20363-011.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** are shown starting on page 5 of this paper.